

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FEBRUARY 28, 1865.

Read a first and second time, Mr. HENRY W. DAVIS to amend; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed. Add the part in *italics*.

Mr. ALEXANDER H. RICE, from the Committee on Naval Affairs,  
reported the following bill:

**A BILL**

To compensate the officers and crew of the United States steamer Kearsarge, for the destruction of the rebel piratical vessel Alabama.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3       That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he hereby is, author-  
4       ized and directed to pay to Commodore John A. Winslow,  
5       and the officers and crew belonging to the United States  
6       steamer "Kearsarge" while engaged in the capture and de-  
7       struction of the rebel piratical vessel the "Alabama," on the  
8       nineteenth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, the sum  
9       of one hundred and ninety thousand dollars, the same being  
10      the estimated value thereof, and which sum is hereby appro-  
11      priated for that purpose; the same to be distributed to the

12 officers and crew attached to the Kearsarge at the date above  
13 named, in the same manner as prize money ; and to be in lieu  
14 of the bounty authorized by the eleventh section of the act  
15 of June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, " To regu-  
16 late prize proceedings, and so forth."

Mr. HENRY WINTER DAVIS moved to amend the bill by adding  
at the end of the bill the following:

1       SEC. —. *And be it further enacted, That there shall*  
2 *be paid to Lieutenant William B. Cushing and the officers*  
3 *and men under his command the value of the rebel ram*  
4 *Albemarle, destroyed by them; the value to be estimated by a*  
5 *commission appointed by the President.*